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Dear Member of Congress:

On behalf of Koch Companies Public Sector, I write to thank congressional Republicans and administration officials for releasing an encouraging pro-growth framework for comprehensive tax reform.

Today's announcement is an important milestone as you work to unrig a complex tax code that benefits special interests at the expense of most Americans. While there is more to be done, this framework for a simpler, more transparent system will boost economic growth by lowering rates. The outline released today is evidence that Congress is on the right track.

The immediate next step is clear, and critical: The Senate and House must expeditiously pass a budget resolution that will allow this framework to take legislative form and reach the president's desk. Getting this accomplished for the American people will take courage and cooperation, but after more than three decades, the time for a tax code rewrite is long overdue.

To that end, we encourage policymakers to remove corporate welfare provisions from the code. Wherever possible, loopholes, deductions, exemptions and other handouts should disappear. We maintain that cutting rates is the most reliable pathway to growth.

This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to unrig what is increasingly a two-tiered society and to restore a free-market system that enables Americans to flourish.

We thank Senate and House leadership, and administration officials, for their continuing efforts, and we encourage all lawmakers to join them in support of this framework and to advance a budget resolution in the weeks ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Philip Ellender'.

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